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### Photo Intelligence Memorandum

#### CCAF AIR FIELDS OPPOSITE FORMOSA

As requested by OCI, comparative aerial photography of the following Chinese Air Fields has been studied:

<u>Airfield</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>
Swatow	23 22N -- 116 40E
Kao-Chi (Amoy)	24 32N -- 118 07E
Ma-Chiang (12 mi. NE of Amoy)	24 39N -- 118 16E
Ch'ang-T'ing	25 54N -- 116 19E
Nan'T'ai (Foochow)	26 00N -- 119 19E
Chien-Ou	27 03N -- 118 18E
Lu-Chiao	28 33N -- 121 25E

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Six of the 7 fields were non-operational as of [REDACTED]  
Only Nan-T'ai (Foochow) appeared capable of limited operations.

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25X1D Nan'T'ai (Foochow) - Field was undergoing reconditioning in the fall of [REDACTED]  
25X1D [REDACTED] field appeared untouched. Wrecked aircraft on field in [REDACTED] were unmoved as of [REDACTED]  
25X1D [REDACTED] photography shows wrecked planes removed. [REDACTED] photography shows reconditioning in progress with several hundred workers visible along runway; aircraft revetments have been cleaned out and old trenches and machine-gun positions appear to have been reconditioned. Between [REDACTED]  
25X1D [REDACTED] two 4-gun medium AA positions have been constructed (one at each end of runway) but no guns have been installed.

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The runway has not been enlarged and the surfaced area still measures approximately 4200 by 90 feet.

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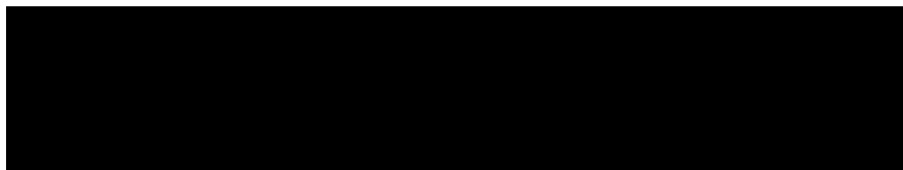
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Lai-Chiao - New field still under construction and non-operational as of [REDACTED] There is much activity in evidence-- personnel, boats, trucks, narrow-gauge track with dumpcarts, etc. Stone is being obtained from nearby outcrops on hills and is being moved to the field by boats, trucks, and narrow-gauge railroad. The runway is still incomplete and difficult to define, however, its planned dimensions are approximately only 6000 by 175 feet. If the runway is to be concrete, there is little evidence that mechanical facilities exist for mixing large quantities of concrete. On the [REDACTED] coverage, four 4-gun AA positions are occupied, with three medium and one heavy battery.

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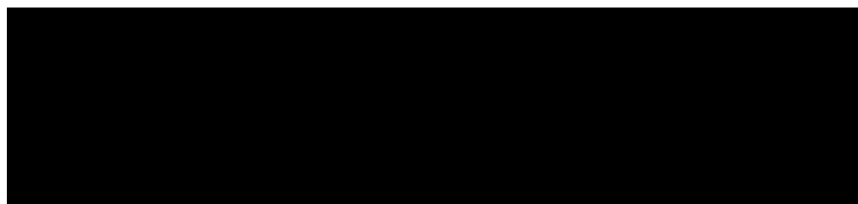
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Swatow - Non-operational as of [REDACTED] No change since field was pitted by demolition charges shown on [REDACTED] photography. [REDACTED] many slit trenches appeared around field suggesting troop training area.

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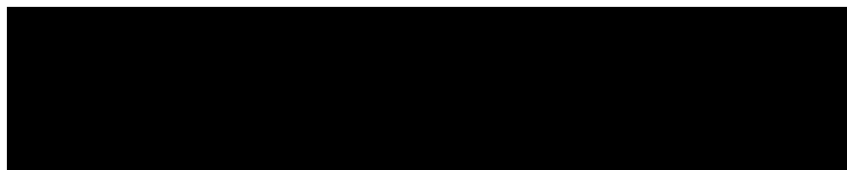


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Kao-Chi - Non-operational as of [REDACTED] The field appears too rough for use and no maintenance is apparent between [REDACTED]

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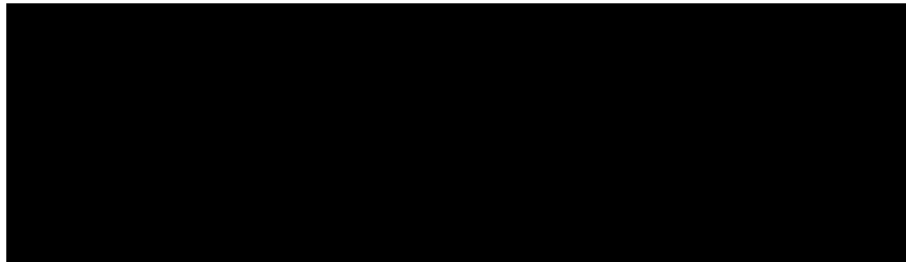
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Ma-Chiang - Non-operational as of [REDACTED]  
photography this field appeared operational although no A/C  
were in evidence. Since [REDACTED] the field has deteriorated until  
it is badly eroded and overgrown with vegetation.

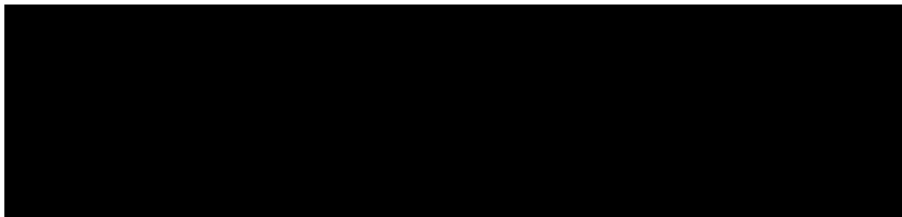
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Ch'ang-T'ing - Non-operational as of [REDACTED] Field  
appears eroded and too rough for operational use. No maintenance  
apparent on photography studied.

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Chien-Ou - Non-operational as of [REDACTED] Between  
[REDACTED] this field was put into A-1 condition.  
However, the field has been permitted to deteriorate since that  
time and appears non-operational on photography since [REDACTED]  
Photography shows three roads and bridges servicing the field to  
have been out from [REDACTED] to the latest photography examined,

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Summary

No planes were seen at any of the fields. As of the latest photography studied on each field only Lu-Chiao had operational AA batteries. Nan-T'ai (Foochow) although apparently capable of operations has not been enlarged over its former size, with the surfaced runway measuring 4200' x 90'. Only Lu-Chiao appears to be constructed for jet operation and, as of [REDACTED] it is still far from completion.

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Attention, however, is drawn to Chu-Hsien Air Field (28 58N -- 118 53E) which was doubled in size between [REDACTED] and boasts a runway in excess of 9000' x 400'. Also, an extensive barracks area has made its appearance at Chu-Hsien [REDACTED]

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Further detailed study will be made as photography is procured.

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